

Amendments to the Claims

1. (Currently amended) A blank panel comprised of a mating structure and at least two face plates ~~separable~~ separably combined along a break-off groove extending between two opposing side surfaces of said blank panel, wherein at least one of said at least two face plates has two contact faces on opposing ends adjacent said side surfaces separated by reinforcement ribs, and wherein at least one of said at least two face plates has two finite T-shaped channels ~~inward~~ inwardly extending from both of said opposing side surfaces along said contact faces for exchangably and slidably holding [a] said correspondingly shaped mating structure.

2. (Currently amended) The blank panel of claim 1, wherein at least one of said contact faces further comprises positioning indicators for indicating a predetermined position of said mating structure, the positioning indicators being arranged parallel to a plane of the at least one of said contact faces.

3. (Currently amended) The blank panel of claim 1, wherein said break-off groove includes a ~~thin-film~~ bridge structurally exclusively connecting two adjacent ~~of said at least two~~ face plates, where the bridge has a thickness that is less than that of said at least two face plates.

4. (Currently amended) The blank panel of claim 3, wherein said break-off groove further comprises ~~angled and oppositely of said thin-film bridge positioned~~ levering faces for inducing a tension force onto said ~~thin-film~~ bridge at and in excess of a break-off bending angle between said two adjacent face plates, where said levering faces are angled and oppositely positioned of said bridge.

5. (Original) The blank panel of claim 1, wherein said mating structure is part of a fastener having at least two laterally resilient protrusions extending substantially symmetrically with respect to an attachment axis of said

fastener, said attachment axis being substantially perpendicular with respect to said contact face while said mating structure is held in said channel.

6. (Currently amended) The blank panel of claim 5, wherein said at least two laterally resilient protrusions feature straddle legs extending away from said mating structure in [an] a straddle angle such that said at least two laterally resilient protrusions induce a pulling force via said straddle legs and said mating structure on said face plate, while said laterally resilient protrusions are inserted in an orifice hole.

7. (New) A blank panel system comprising:

a plurality of face plates (10), the face plates (10) comprising one integral panel (1);
one or more break-off grooves (121); and

a plurality of channels (25), the channels (25) receiving fasteners (60), the channels being T-shaped to allow one degree of lateral movement to the fasteners (60),

where break-off grooves (121) separate adjoining face plates (10),

where one or more face plates (10) may be permanently removed from the blank panel,

and

where each break off groove (121) is V-shaped and straight.

8. (New) The blank panel system of claim 7,

where the blank panel is designed to be attached to a rack, the rack having one or more mounting bars (3), each mounting bar (3) having one or more threadless holes (4) for receiving fasteners (60),

where the blank panel can be attached to the rack without tools,

where the fasteners (60) snap fit into the rack, and

where the fasteners (60) slide into the channels (25) of the blank panel.

9. (New) The blank panel system of claim 7, where the panel is made of a glass filled polymer.